

**DRAFT MINUTES
SUTTONS BAY TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION**

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 1, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Dennis Rathnaw, Chair, called the February 1, 2022 Suttons Bay Township Planning Commission Meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. at the Suttons Bay Fire Department, 201 S. St. Mary's Street, Suttons Bay Township, Michigan. The meeting was held with public participation via Zoom electronic remote access.

ROLL CALL - Quorum Present

Present: Dennis Rathnaw, Tom Nixon, Dee McClure, Rhoda Johnson,
Patti Miller, Andy Brandt, Don Gregory,

Absent: Doug Periard, Amy Coleman

Staff Present: Mathew Cooke (in person). Marge Johnson via Zoom.

Dennis Rathnaw read a letter from Amy Coleman who resigned from the Planning Commission effective January 8, 2022.

Approval of Agenda

Andy Brandt/moved, Don Gregory/supported, to approve the Agenda, passed.

Public Comment

Sharon Livingston, Peck Rd., said she is interested in commercial and residential setbacks.

Conflict of Interest - None.

Approval of Minutes - January 4, 2022

Tom Nixon/moved, Dee McClure/supported, to approve the January 4, 2022 Minutes as submitted, passed.

Items of Discussion/Consideration:

1. Election of Officers 2022

Tom Nixon/moved, Rhoda Johnson/supported, to appoint Dennis Rathnaw as Chair, Don Gregory as Vice-Chair, and Dee McClure as Secretary, passed.

Tom Nixon said this has been a contentious year for the Planning Commission, major challenges unlike those of most planning commissions. I would like to commend Dennis Rathnaw for the manner in which you helped us steer through pretty difficult waters at a time when you were not really experienced in being in the Chair position, nor had you been on this Commission very long. I would like to extend to you as one member of this Commission my thank you for the effort and time you have given and the manner in which you have conducted meetings, as I think we conducted ourselves as best we could, which is really a reflection on the Chair. Chair Rathnaw said thank you Tom.

2. Zoning Ordinance Overhaul Project/Mathew Cooke

a. Review of Articles 1-6 of ZOO-continued

Discussion of Articles 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 of the ZOO was held by the Planning Commission and staff.

b. Review of Articles 7-14 of ZOO

Discussion of Articles 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14 of the ZOO was held by the Planning Commission and staff.

Reports:

Zoning Administrator - Steve Patmore's Report was submitted.

Planner - Tom Nixon reported on the January 26, 2022 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting regarding Leelanau Watersports.

Township Board - None

Public Comment - None.

Next Regular Meeting - March 1, 2022

Adjournment - Chair Dennis Rathnaw adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.
Minutes by Marge Johnson, Recording Secretary
Dee McClure, Planning Commission Secretary